Hr. S. W. Travers Presided Ov r the Variout Committee -Encouraging Reports from Everywhere-A supper.

The building of the Young Men's Chriscan Association was crowded with young ast evening, when the monthly meetof the various committees was held s the parter. The exercises in connection with the official programme were exceedingly interesting and greatly enjoyed by

The meeting was presided over by Mr g. W. Travers, the president of the Asson, who for the first time after his or sickness last summer showed himself e a meeting of the members. He was

ns tendered to the pastors city were promptly responded to esentatives of the various denomi-The Board of Directors of the rayer was offered by a

that the attendance at the long this line. Five new

Association, being met here

city the opportunities associated here from day e continually coming in con-higher aims, find the Eng-

ommittee, presented his re-howed that forty-four new been brought into the y its members, as follows: Laughton, 5; Hunter Car-nuel G. Talbott, 5; H. D. W. Brown, 4; J. W. Booker, aels, 3; Robert S. Christian organ Shepherd, 3; W. B. Percy Hawes, Jr., 2; W. Ber, 2; Hullie Williams, 2; W. E. Crawford, 2 1: D. E. Mountcastle. f the Orchestra Committee by Mr. Vivian Farrar. It and advancing in the musical ex-

Crawford submitted the reed the following interesting state

the classes during the

Total 1.642. Ave. 130 of our Physical Director, Professor Schatzel, the members have a lively interest in basket ball, is played three times a week, and er outdoor games will be arranged

k between the business men's has also taken hold on the members, and Professor organized two elevens in

have banded together as times a week under p of Professor Schatzel, was made last Wednesday Richmond College and back, at Clark's pond on Thanks-All spare time will be given s outdoor sports, such as foot-ket ball, etc. At the close of from the gymnasium com-y. Preston Nash suggested clergy be invited to participate re and hound chase on Thankswhich was agreed to by a

George H. Keesee, Jr., presented sllowing in behalf of the junior

Richmond Association is doing are for the boys of the city this than ever before, and the few ges granted to boys between the and 16 years are being great-lated. Sixty-six families are esented in the gymnasium by presented in the gymnasium by
nine boys, and applications are
made every day for membership.
Is have strong grounds for hopit by January I, 1894, our roll
rely number up an even huntin average of thirty-three attendreligious services of last month,
315 on Sunday afternoons A of fifty-three boys sang twice at do all in their power to interest the pers in the work of this departmen ging in and entertaining our boys."

Mr. J. Stuart Hopkins had sure a
cast Thy Bread Upon the Waters."

Morgan Shepherd made a verbal

ment Committee, presented his thich contained the following:

Good Muse swar d. four months ago this committee tails. Gennett Burruss, Samuel Calliam, and later were added W. Anderson and Edward S. We immediately planned out and have since exerted our pose of every seat in the ve made an engagement with lee Club, of Boston, for our ment, December 4th, This eservingly popular, which is also er attractions." rt of the educational department

ited by Mr. W. C. West, It was

ational department is steadily ward, every class being well and some filled to overflowing. dance for the past month in the classes was as follows: Bookaverage, 27; Arithmetic, 256; are, 32; Penmanship, 234; average, 28; exraphy, 16; average, 28; typewriting, verage, 5; vocal music, 72; average, 18; hand drawing, 22; average 9; total, Examinations are being made each the and visiting and search and the search are series. and written reports sent to the of the pupils. All papers are ex-

gold medal; Mr. Howard Swineford, stenog-raphy class, gold medal; Mr. C. W. Tanner, vocal music class, gold medal; Hon. B. B. Munford, penmanship class, gold medal; Mr. Lewis H. Elair, srithme-the class gold medal; a friend free hand.

tic class, gold medal; a friend, free-hand drawing class, gold medal. In the absence of Mr. P. A. Arthur, chairman of the Religious Committee Mr. James Stubbs read the report of that body, which also showed very pros-

perous conditions.

Mr. Travers, in a few feeling words, expressed his gratification for being permitted to listen to the various reports and stated that he felt delighted over the progress evidenced in the various departments. He added that he had heard a gentleman say that he had never seen a hetter gympashum, nor a better instrucgentleman say that he had never seen a better gymnasium nor a better intructor than the one in this city. These remarks brought out prolonged applause.

Rev. James Y. Fair also made a few remarks as to the important work done by the association, and after a prayer by Rev. J. P. Gammen the gathering was

I. P. Gammon the gathering was sed by Rev. Calvin L. Stewart. All then repaired to the board room, where the ladies had served an elegant supper, which was immensely enjoyed

THE SPIRITUALIST RIGAMIST.

He Says He Wa- Married to Wife Numbe Tw On v by api itualisti Rul .

The spiritualistic young man confined at the Second police station, who was arrested Thursday on the request of the New York authorities on the charge of bigamy, is new alone, his pretty you bride of a few weeks having left for New York to invoke the aid of his spirit-rulist friends in his behalf. David Frazer alias Davis is apparently little concerned about his condition. I called on him at the Second station last evenon him at the Second station last evening and was cordinly received. He stoutly declined to say anything for publication, being under instructions from his
counsel not to talk about his affairs.

When asked if the reports already
published about him were true, he repiled that they were very inaccurate
and that he would like to correct them
except for the fact that he was under
advice not to say anything to newspaper men. When asked the name of the wo

whom he claims to have involuntarily married in Philadelphia, four years ago, while under the influence of liquor and drugged, he declined to give her name as he did anything about the history of himself or his new wife, but when asked what sort of a woman No. 1 was, he replied that I might thank God that 1

did not get one like her.

When asked about the young woman he recently made his bride, his manner quickly changed, and he spoke in the most affectionate terms of her. He said that his marriage with her was not ac-cording to the civil law, but by spiritual-istic rules, whose ties were as sacred and binding to them as a legal marriage. He said he was married by a noted spiritualist named Harlow, in New York, and that according to their belief it was a union of both mind and spirit, and that the union made his bride his sis-ter as well as his wife, and also made that his marriage with her was not as ter as well as his wife, and also made Frazer, when referring to spiritualism,

drops into a peculiar style of expres-sion and gesture that indicates a fanatmind not too strong. He seems to have great faith in the ability of his spiritualistic friends i New York to aid him in this emergence 2 left at noon yesterday to visit them

in his behalf.

He has heard nothing from the letter he wrote to a friend in New York requesting him to pay the \$200 hush money demanded by the Philadelphia wife, No. I.

He says it was the intention of himself and wife to open a school of spiritualism in this city, and deliver lectures on the "science." He expresses a perfect willingness to return to New York 10 meet his accusers, and says that as soon as he his accusers, and says that as soon as he

is clear he will again visit Richmond and carry out his plan of spiritualistic treching in this city, and make a lecturing tour in New York city.

The charge against Frazer is bigamy and eloping with Annie Potter. Just who Annie Potter happens to be a not become Annie Potter happens to be is not known here, but her manner is that of an intel-ligent self-poised woman, and her affection for Frazer is genuine.

THE GAME POSTPONED.

obert B. Minor and | Frinity College Faculty it Down on the "ar Heels" and Oppose the Game

The game of foot-ball which was to have been played this afternoon at Island Park between the teams of Richmond College and Trinity College, N. C., has been postponed. The captain of the Richmond Coliege team received a telegram Thursday from Trinity, asking to arrange for a game on next Wednesday. A favorable reply was sent to Trinliy, and yesterday a setter was received from the latter team saying that the faculty of the institution and decided that the Trinity men could not play any more inter-collegiate foot-

The Richmond team are now awaiting a reply to a communication to the "Tar Heels." They are willing to meet the latter when satisfictory arrangements can be agreed upon. At present, however, the Richmond team is at a loss to understand how things stand with the "Tar Ficels," and the affair is pretty badly mixed up.

City | freuit Court.

In the Circuit Court yesterday in the case of Edgar W. Minter vs. W. Benjamin Davis, the plaintiff was non-suited.

Joseph W. St. Chair's administratrix vs. Richmond Railway and Electric Company, evidence was further heard, and the jury was adjourned until 4 P. Suit was instituted by J. W. Anderson

& Co. vs. John C. Robertson and A. J. Bradley for \$326. An order was entered granting the petition of Henry Kaibfleisch, an employe of the Richmond Brewing Company, to change his name to Henry Web-He is a native of Germany and took

Judge bute the O ator. Judge R. T. W. Duke, Jr., of Charlottesville, has accepted the invitation to deliver the address on the occasion the laying of the corner-stone of will take place Wednesday, cember 6th. Judge Duke is an orator of wide reputation, and will be warmly received in this city, where he has the occasion are in charge of the Board of Governors who designs ed Mr. J. Thompson Brown to look after the de-

W. Anderson and Edward S. of theft, was concluded, the jury returning a verilet of acquittal after being out a very few minutes.

Richard Brown (colored), who had been indicted for felonious assault, was nolle prosequied and the accused rearrested for common assault and sent on to the grand grounds. The course the solution of the grand grounds.

The court then adjourned until to-day. Property F SSET

Richmond: Oscar Taylor and wife to James D. Carneal, 141-2 feet on north side Cabell street, near Roane, \$600. Henrico Thomas L. Blanton and wife to James O. Scott, 161 feet on Meadow Bridge road, four miles from Richmond, subject to deed of trust for \$9,200, \$22,000; Edmund S. Read and wife to Joseph L. Rohleder, two lots in Highland Springs, referee.

Recover Appointed.

Judge Lamb in the Chancery Court Judge Lamb in the Chancery Court yesterday appointed, in the suit of Trimstended by a special committee and the Board of Directors. The following gentlemen have kindly digitest in their class for regular attendance and greatest improvement:

Mr. S. W. Travers, book-keeping class,

MRS. STERLING RETURNS AND IS NEARLY NUIFOCATED.

An Old Negro's Carcle-sness Nearly Cost Several Lives - A Livery Blaze on Seventeenth street. The Los-es Small,

The alarm of fire turned in from Box 36 at 11:25 o'clock yesterday morning was caused by a fire in a basement room of No. 533 Canal street, which is one of four

two-story brick tenements. When the fire department arrived dense smoke was pouring out of the windows of several of the houses, and the occupants of the entire row were run out by it.

The house in which the fire originiated is occupied by the family of Mrs. Lou Whelan, and the basement was rented to a negro man. It is supposed that the blaze was started by coals failing from a grate fire, which the negro left burning when he went out in the morning. fore it had time to spread from the apart ent in which it originated, the occupants the entire row suffered damage from

the smoke. The other houses in the roy are occupied by the families of Mr. Dunn. Annie Sterling, and Mrs. Sally Mrs. Sterling, in the excitement of the moment, was under the impression that she had left her baby up stairs, and made a frantic rush back through the

Omcer Tally, a young man named Mur phy, and a fireman, who entered the room a few minutes later, found the two women overcome by smoke and carried them out Mrs. Sterling had lost con-sciousness, and but for the timely rescue would probably have been suffocated. The houses are the property of Mr. Richard Lee, The loss, whi is covered by a policy in the Agricultura Insurance Company.

It was rumored on the streets that the buy had been almost suffocated. An in-terview with Chief Puller, however, cor-rected this error. The Chief stated that the baby was not in the room at the

A lively blaze was made about 6 o'cloc last evening by the burning of a small stable in the rear of 425 north Seven-teenth street, owned by Mr. J. L. Brooks. The department responded to a call from station 23, and quickly extinguished the fire. The loss was about \$100. The stable was insured for \$125.

Hon, W. R. Spooner, of New York, De-

livers an Interesting Add . s. Ellett's Hall, on north Fifth street was thronged last evening by an interested audience assembled to listen to an address from Hon, W. R. Spooner, of New York, Supreme Premier Royal Society of Good Fellows The five assemblies of the order in this city were well represented, and George L. Currie, of Richmond Arsembly, No. 33, presided. Mr. Spooner's address was an exhaustive and interesting account particular. He is an eloquent speaker and was listened to with marked attention by the gentlemen present, many of whom are prominent in fraternal and business circles in this city. The Order whom are profilment to the control of which Mr. Spooner is the executive head in the United States is reported to the left the Retreat for his home yesterbe in a healthy, growing condition.

Lee Camp met with full ranks at Lee Camp Hail last evening, with Colonei Thomas P. Pollard in command, while djutant J. Taylor Stratton recorded.

An invitation was received from Coloner fendant in error. Charles P. Bigger, commandant of the Soldiers' Home, asking the camp to attend the Charke lecture, at the chapel of Home, on "A Trip to the World's Fair." The lecture will be illustrated by photo graphic views and will be very inteructive and entertaining. The members of the

need were reported as having been great-ly assisted by the Ladies' Auxiliary Corps of Lee Camp, who are doing a great and ble work among the families of ex-Con

A Banquet to Their thief, The presence of Mr. J. W. Alexander was handsomely recognized by a magnin-cent banquet given in his honor last night

at the Commercial Hotel Cate.

The banquet was one of the finest ever een in this city, Manager A. M. Browt ell as a consequence everything was au fal-The 'sanquet hall was decorated with palms and the table with cut flowers. An elegant menu was served. The following

Mayer, Balliss, A. Myers, H. L. Myers, oulson, Turnbull, Easley, Land, Jones, Volle, Tinsley, Knowles, Werst, Monta-ue, Tabb, McAdams, Carrington, Wellford, Upshur, Pegram, Pitzgerald, White Langston, Venable, Moss, Brown, Stubbs Hughes, Harris, Henry, Baird, Freeman, and Paine

The Scouts Will Take Part.

A regular meeting of the Union Demo-ratic Club was held at Powell's Hall last night-President William H. Culling worth in the chair. Several new member were elected to membership in the club, and after the usual amount of routine business the meeting adjourned, and the Scouts held a meeting. A large number of the members were present, and the body held an interesting drill. The Scouts adopted their new uniform. C Hawes was present to ascertain part the organization wished to take in the inauguration of Governor-elect Charles T. O Ferrall. The Scouts expressed a desire to take part in the exercises, and referred the matter of arrangements to a committee,

Spar ing at Sanger Hatt. On Thanksgiving-night, at Sanger Hall, lovers of the puglistic sport will have an opportunity to witness some athletic work the way of sparring. Frank Wongo who claims to be the champion welter weight of the South, and who recently defeated Billy Duke, the light-weight ampion of Maryland, in two rounds and In the Henrico County Court Thursday evening, the trial of Caroline Peterson (colored), who was accused by her brother of theft, was concluded the property of theft, was concluded the property of the first constant of the colored to the colored t a ha f, will spar four rounds for scientin

Youthful Kickers,

The Carnation foot-ball team met the kickers from Nooley's school yesterday afternoon on the Richmond College grounds. The features of the game were the splendid interference of the Carnations, and the all-around playing of Julian Hill. Also the running of Burrall and

The game resulted in a score of 12 to 0 in favor of the Carnations. In the second half of the contest time was called, when the Nolley team had the pigskin within ten yards of the Carnation's goal.

Mr. Gessner Harrison umpired the game, and Mr. D. H. Rucker acted as

Committee on Mineral Lands.

A VERY NARROW ESCAPE the next week prepare a bill which is to be submitted to the Legislature.

Messrs Withrow and Fentress will return to their homes to-day.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Interesting Facts About Richmond's Citizens, and Other Matters. Mrs. Lillie Baker, nee Taylor, of Tucka-

Pine street. John B. Minor yesterday qualified to the Chancery Court as administrator of Eliza Williams.

A very pretty German was given at last night by the young men of Church Hill. The Richmond Railway and Electric Company thas begun the work of removing its tracks on the Baker-Street line.

Sydnor & Shepard have been awarded the contract to erect a 20,000-galion tank for the protection of the Soldiers' Home was present in the interest of the city.

A relay 'cycle race from Yellow Tavern to Bacon's Quarter Branch will take place to-night under the auspices of the Virginia 'Cycling Association. Colonel Raleigh Colston, who has been

of for some time past at his residence, to 13 north Sixth street, was reported to be better yesterday and on the way to Captain Ham Sheppard, Collector of nternal Revenue for the Western District of Virginia, was in the city yesterday, and called at the Custom House to pay his

espects to Collector Ryan. Mrs. R. Orsi, wife of the Main-Street confectioner, took an overdose of parvuies Thursday night, and but for the applicaion of vigorous remedies would have uffered serious consequences. smoke, accompanied by Mrs.

> yesterday morning announcing the death in Hartford, Conn., of the mother of Mr. Hezekiah New. She was formerly a resident of this city. At a meeting of Roane Lodge, Odd-Feilows, held Thursday night, Grand Secre-tary T. Wiley Davis reported that ten lodges had been organized in Virginia

A telegram was received in this city

nce the meeting of the Grand Lodge at orfolk last April. The ladies of the Woman's Christian Association will postpone their enter-tainment next Friday evening, in order that the children may attend a church fair to be given on that evening by the

Ladles' Ald Society of Grace church. The Richmond and Berrico Leigntion of the General Assembly held an informat neeting Thursday cight. Messrs, Crum; and Cabell were absent. It is understood hat all present, except one, favor General or Mr. Lawless for Secretary of the Commonwealth, two for Judge Flournoy, and three undecided.

A doll party was given at the Woman's Christian Association yesterday even-ing. There were three prizes, one for the little girl who brought the largest number of dolls, one for the prettiest doll, and one for the ugliest doll. The prizes were taken by the following young ladies: Miss Allie Miller, Miss Fanny Echiel, and Miss Suste Gibson.

The Educated Horses.

At the Academy of Music last evening artholomew's Equine Paradox delighted small but appreciative audience. All of e tricks and fears of the horses were arrily applauded, and it is to be hoped int a larger audience will greet them at he matinee to-day and at the perform nce to-night. The horses deserve it.

Colonel lickham c llome. Colonel William F. Wickham, who has been sick at the Retreat for the Sick for several weeks, has improved suffifor several weeks, has improved suffi-ciently to leave for his home in Hanover.

Supreme Court of Appeals, Norfolk and Western Railroad Compan against Adams, Clement & Co. Argued by Judge Willia mGordon Robertson for plain-

day morning.

iff in error, and A. B. Pugh, Esq., for de-BUCKINGH IM'S TOES.

tie Didn't Turn Thom Out and the Emotional Young Coman Fainted.

The emotional young woman occupied a are requested to bring their wives | box with the cynical young man. Mr. ases of many families who were in Keene was winning the hatred of the first with his subjety in the funeral scene of "Richard Lil." The emotional young wo-man was angry. She tipped her upper ip repeatedly with her tongue and rapped her fan impatiently. "It is awful, exclaimed, and the cynical young man agreed. In the scene where Buckingham nesitates at Richard's command to kill the Princes the emotional young woman began to weep and the cynical young

> 'Shade of Shakespeare, observe!" she cried. "Oh, worm in the rose! Oh, cater-pillar on a neck! Oh, mo'e on the face! Oh, tree in the desert! Oh, balloon in the heavens! Oh, rent in the dress! Oh, blot on the canvas! Oh! Oh! Oh! The inharnony of perfection, the inharmony of in and her body shook with

> Keene and Arden, Edwin Arden, were lighting their duel on the field of Bos worth, as Richard and Richmond. The tional young woman was rocking to and fro in agony. The fight grew warmer the audience more excited. Suddenly the emotional young woman threw up her seautiful arms and screamed hysterical y and fell to the floor of her box in a

> "What was the matter?" asked Harry Sommers, Mr. McVicker's beautiful treasurer, as the fair young thing was laid on the lounge in his office. "Buckligham don't turn out his toes," replied the cynical young man.

the carass is Cagan Times.

In Egypt the parasol is found, in an-cient drawings, to have been of various shapes—sometimes as a fan of palmieaves or colored feathers fixed on a long handle, at others in its modern form. In Persia the parasol is found among the carved work at Persepolis, and also in sculptures at Takht-i-Bostan, supposed to be not less than 1,200 years c'd. In Assyria, as in most Eastern countries, the use of the parasol carried a peculiar and honorable significance, being represented as shading the gods. It had also a religious meaning in Greece; but there it was further an indispensable adjunct of a lady of fashwas common for women, and even men, to defend themselves from the heat by means of the "Umbraculum." It was then formed of skin or leather, able to be lowered at will, and probably much the same in construction as our own. In Home it was always used as a luxury. never as a mark of distinction.

The gold bugs which were so popular as ornaments a few years ago were most of them manufactured. There is a gen-uine gold bug, or beetle, colored a pure uine gold bug, or beetle, colored a pure bronze, but it is only found in the tro-pics, and is not plentiful even there. The gold bug of commerce is simply the com-mon Juno bug dipped in shellac or some other gum and roled in very fine gold dust. After the dust has dried in the shellac the bug, except in weight, would pass for a piece of genuine gold tewelry. pass for a piece of genuine gold jewelry.

Drapers and others showing window goods liable to lose color by fading are advised to put yellow colored glass in their windows, as the bleaching is caused by the white rays of the sun's light.

The sub-committee of the special committee on assessment of mineral lands, held another protracted session at the Exchange Hotel yesterday, and agreed upon a report which will be submitted to the Legislature early next month. The report will contain a number of valuable suggestions, which, if carried into practice, will largely contribute to an equalization of the taxes.

Mesars. Sands and Fantress will during On and after the 19th instant the morn-

Changes of schedules on C. & O. Rallway

THE CENTRAL ASYLUM.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF SUPERIN-TENDENT BARKSDALE.

Number of Colored Lunatics_Cost of Maintaining Patients Less Than any Other Institution in the Country.

PETERSBURG, VA., Nov. 24.-Special,-The case of the city of Petersburg vs. the Postal Telegraph Cable Company, to show cause why they should not be fined for not paying the license tax due on their poles in the city, was called in the Mayor's Court this morning. but no representative of the telegraph company was in attendance. After Justice Mallory, who presided in the absence of the Mayor, had read the warrant, he saw at once that it was defective, inasmuch at it made no specific charge, and so informed City Attorney Mason. Mr. Mason agreed with the justice that the warrant was defective, and it was therefore dismissed. Another warrant against the company will be issued upon which the will be heard. The total an taxes due by the company is Rev. A. J. Fristol, pastor of the Second.

Baptist church, will by request preach a special sermon on Sunday night next, the subject of which will be, "The Rending of the Vell." The annual report of Dr. Randolph Barksdale, superintendent of the Cen-tral Lunitic Asylum, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1833, shows the number of patients at the besining of the year to have been 318 males, 228 females. Total, 646. Admitted during the year, 121 males; 114 females. Total tal, 235. Total present in year, 439 male 442 females. Total, SSI. Discharged—Re-covered, 38 males; 27 females. Total, 65. Improved, 2 males; 3 females. Total, 5. insane, 2 males; 3 females. Total, Remaining at end of the year, males; 388 females. Total, 763. The farm and garden yielded a net profit for the

of \$1,676.12. Superintendent Barksdale in his re-port says: "We have now a balance to our credit of \$21,599.08. From examination of reports of other institutions of this kind, I learn that the cost per capita of maintaining this asylum is the asylum for the ensuing year will much less than that of any other asy-"The average number of patients in not be less than 775. Calculating on the lum in this country. ost per capita for the year just ended,

it will require \$80,000 to support the institution the present year."

I learn that Dr. Barham, Democrat, who was elected to the House of Dele-gates from the counties of Prince George and Surry, says that there is no whatever in the report that he has

withdrawn. Snow fell to a depth of about one Snow fell to a depth of about one inch in the counties of Sussex and Southampton last night. There was also a brisk fall of the "fleecy flakes" here about midnight last night.

The Petersburg Convocation of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which has been holding its session this week at Crewe, in Nottoway county, adjourned to-night. The principal questions considered were those in reference to mission work within the in reference to mission work within the bounds of the Convocation. The Convoca-tion is composed of the clergy and laity of the churches in that part of the south-

of the churches in the churches for the south of James river.

Rev. C. R. Haines, rector of St. Paul's Rev. C. R. Haines, rector of St. Paul's church, in this city, was elected dean; Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin, rector of St. John's church, in Petersburg, secretary, and Mr. Thomas F. Rives, of Dinwildie county, treasurer. The Convocation voted to meet in May and November of each year. The next meeting of the Convocation will be held at Wakefield, in Sussex county, in May.

county, in May. largely attended tournament was given to-day at Church Road, in Dinwiddle county, on the Norfolk and Western rallroad. The charge to the knights was delivered by Mr. Richard Mann, of this delivered by art. Months were A. E. Bichardson, John Cousins, and T. M. Hark. The tournament was followed tonight by a grand coronation ball, at wh Miss Jessie Bolling, a daughter of Postmaster Stith Bolling, of this city, was rowned as "queen of love and beauty,"

NOVELISTS OF THE PAST. Once Very Popular but New Completely

Forgotten. How many novelists upon whose pens the world of readers once hung enraptured are now completely forgotten? In these practical days their style would be laughed at as stilted, their plots as impossied at as suited, their plots as impossi-ble, observes an exchange. The school of romance, originated by the success of Horace Walpole's "Castle of Otranto," enjoyed a short heyday of popularity. Mystery and horror were its watchwords. —mystery and horror which now fall to raise a simple buir of the most ex--mystery and horror which now fall to raise a single hair of the most ex-citable of craniums. "The Bravo of Ve-nice." "The Castle Spectre." "The Mys-teries of Udolpho"—such were the titles of the blood-curdling works that for a time were eagerly devoured. The taste for this sort of thing was soon satiated, and the names of Mrs. Radcliffe, "Monk" Lewis, and Clara Reeve became a mere Lewis, and Clara Reeve became a mere memory. The novels of Mrs. Aphra Behn and Mrs. Hagwood would now be

memory. The novels of Mrs. Aphra
Behn and Mrs. Hagwood would now be
classed as hopelessly improper.
Even the "Man of Feeling." by Henry
MacKenzle, has rested undisturbed for
several generations, while as regards Robert Bage, Mrs. Inchbald, Charlotte Smith,
and others of that day, their books are
only known to literary antiquaries. Yet
their success at the time of their publication was great. Hannah More's "Coelebs in Search of a Wife" went through
eight editions in as many weeks. Some
books of this period do not deserve the
neglect they have received. Some of Mrs.
Inchbald's tales are worth reading, and
Mrs. Charlotte Smith's stories have been
praised by good judges.
Another writer of fiction, who was
highly popular in the early years of the
century, was Sydney Owenson-Lady
Morgan—who may perhaps be still known
to a few readers as the author of "The

to a few readers as the author of "The Wild Irish Girl," a racy Hiberian story first published in 1801, which went through seven editions in two years. Lady Morgan followed up this success with a con siderable number of novels, all very pop-ular in her day, but now completely for gotten. The name of Theodore Hook is still a familiar one. His jokes are quote still a familiar one. His jokes are quoted and fathered upon other people, just as innumerable jokes made by other people are fathered upon him: his unfortunate career is still used to point a moral and adorn a tale; as a wit and bon vivant he has his niche in social history, but his fiction is practically forgotten. "Mrs. Ramsbottom" is still used as a kind of synonym for Malaprop, but few of those who use it remember that it was the signature of Hook to a series of letters, in absurdly bad spelling, published in in absurdly bad spelling, published in

And as regards the novels, does any or And as regards the novels, does any one now read "Jack Bragg," or "Gilbert Gur-ney," or "Sayings and Doings," or others of the family." We doubt it. In the thir-ties and forties one of the most pop-ular lady novelists was Mrs. Gore. Her storis of fashionable life had then a great vogue; but no writer of fiction is more completely forgotten by present-day more completely forgotten by present-day readers than Mrs. Gore. With her may be paired Lady Blessington, who wrote a large number of stories of the fashion-able life of her day.—Exchange.

Sapoleon fin's Generosity On one occasion, after I had been in the Emperor's service two years, a com-panion of mine, Eugene Roguet, a lieutenant of cavalry, who, like many of his rank, was an inveterate gambier, lost 10,000 francs in playing baccarat," says

the private secretary of the late Emperor | as the cold draft quickly chilled the room Napoleon III. "The lieutenant had a rich father, who was a boon companion of Morny and De Mauprat, and quite as close to the Emperor as either, but the son had traveled at the pace that kills so long that Roguet pere was on the verge of bankruptcy, had closed his strong box against his spendthrift heir and locked it,

and discarded the gambler son.
"It was a debt of honor that Roguet
fils knew must be paid in forty-eight hours or he was a disgraced man. Eugene, the lieutenant, came to me at the palace at midnight, and with difficulty roused me up and asked me to intercede with the Emperor in his behalf. I could not refuse, and, as Napoleon had not retired for the night, I succeeded in getting him an audience.

"It was a picturesque scene. The lieutenant was in tears, his humiliation was complete, for he was compelled to admit that he had used money that belonged to other officers in his regiment. The Emperor, always a tactturn man, said nothing during the painful recital of the young lieutenant. But, pausing a moment at the conclusion of the story, he rose, and, placing his hand on Eugene's should er, said: 'I am not sure that you deserve to be saved, but I will save you.' Then turning to me, he said: 'Sonny, get this officer 10,000 francs.' I carried the key to the Emperor's escritoire. I was not long in counting out 10,000 francs in crisp, new notes into the happy lleulenant's hands.
"The very next night the lleutenant walked into my room with the melan-choly intelligence that he had paid half

his debt of honor, but, tempted, feli, and lost the other 5,000 francs at the baccarat table the same night he received it. "I lent him the money, and in a few days the Emperor heard of it. He simply called me to him after lunch and said: Sonny, you are a blockhead. You had better keep your money. The next day Lieutenant Roguet was ordered to Algiers, and he soon after died there as a soldier should die, at the head of his regiment, picked off in a wild charge by an Arab sharpshooter.-Exchange.

REPTILES IN A BR DALCHAMBER. tiorrible Fate of a Kansan and His B 1 to on Their Wedding Night

George Higgins, a Topeka traveling man, confirms the story briefly told in the press dispatches last week of the shocking death in Cherokee county of August Schrader and wife by serpents' poison, says

a Topeka, Kansas, special to the wasning ton Star. Incredible as it may seem these wo unfortunate young people were bitten o death by rattlesmakes and copperheads n, a time when the thermometer register-ed at hearly freezing point and that, too, their wedding night Mr. Higgins was one of a party of hun-

master A. Al. Mcrherson, ex-Sheriff James C. Babb, W. F. Sapp and W. E. Stice, all of Galeza, Kansas. They were in camp on Shoai creek, not far distant from the Indian territory line and within gun shot of the cabin occupied by Schrader and his bride, and in ing participated in the festivities given

old man Schrader in honor o marriage of his son. The cabin was less than 100 yards from the domicile of old man Schrader, and had been newly bull on the latter's farm for the occupanc, of the young couple, it consisted of one room and was built of rough logs one room and was out of rough long, chincked, rough pine lumber for the floor and a roof of the same material. It was peculiarly constructed, in that a perpen-dicular stone bluff was made to form one nd of the Structure. Against this bluff freplace of the old-fashioned kind was built, the chimney extending up its a and towering above the edge of the bit In this preplace, the first fire was built which warmed the house ready for the reception of young Schrader and his bride, after the festivities at the parental home

hould be over.

They retired to their home at midnight and the few guests who had gathered to elebrate the event dispersed.

Hardly had the camping party retired to their tent when, about 2 o'clock, they were aroused by calls for help from old man Schrader. They responded, and, guided by the cries, hastened to the cabin of the young couple, where they found them writhing in the throws of death, and the and crying piteously. About the floor and on the low bed were seventeen huge makes of all species, principally copper-reads and rattlesnakes, some of which had been killed and others chilled to

The hunters took in the situation at a

glance and ran back to their tent for some whisky, which they tried to administer to the dying couple, but the remedy was too late and the victims died before morning. Upon investigation it appeared that the fireplace had been built in close proximity to a sort of cavern in the bluff, in which the reptiles had hibernated for the win-ter. The roaring fire had warmed the serpents into life and they were driven out into the cabin by intense heat. Young chrader was able before he died dain that he and his bride had been aroused from their slumber by the fright-ened moaning of a house dog sleeping at their feet, and which, too, was bitten t death. Following this, Schrader heard besing and rattling sound and, leaping ut of the bed to ascertain the cause are feet lighted upon the cold and writh ing body of a serpent. Next he felt him-self stung, and by the light of the dying embers in the fireplace he saw a number embers in the fireplace he saw a number of reptiles crawling about the floor or coiled in the attitude of striking. He was stung again and again, and his cries arousing his wife, she, too, jumped from her bed only to meet her husband's fate. Then they ran for the door and cried for help, and in a very short time old man Schrader appeared. The open door, however rendered human aid unnecessary.

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as the cold draft quickly chilled the room and the reptiles became torpid and were easily dispatched.

On Saturday, two days after the tragedy, the young couple were buried in the Indian burying ground, on the banks of Spring river, in the Quapaw reservation, seven miles south of Shoal creek, with all the solemnity of an Indian burial. This came because the bride was a half-breed Indian girl named Labadie and had lived Indian giri named Labadie and had lived in the tribe of her mother until a year or two before her marriage, when she went to live with old man Schrader as a domes-tic, and was there courted by the young man who afterward became her husband. Mr. Higgins and his companions assisted at the funeral, and Mr. McPher-

son read the Lutheran burial service at the request of the Schrader family. On Friday, the day following the trage-dy, a dynamite shot was put in by a miner from the lead mines of Galena, and the explosion tore out several yards of the bluff and exposed the serpents' den, in which no less than 100 snakes of all varieties, from the harmless black snake to the copperhead and rattlesnake were exposed in a torpid state and slaughtered.

A Frugai Queen.

When Alfonso XIL of Spain died, Queen Christina tok her ministers breath away by refusing to accept the \$20,000 a year she was entitled to as regent and widow of the late monarch.

Without a moment's hesitation, she be-gan her regency with this act of unself-ishness. She told her ministers that she thought Spain was not in a position to pay both King and regent. No re-gent or relict of a sovereign ever had

gent or relict of a sovereign ever had been refused this pension, and Queen Christina's step caused a sensation.

Her Majesty undertook to carry on the ceremonial of the Bourbon Court with the annual stipend allotted to her three children by the Cortes. Little King Alfonso gets \$1,400,000 a year, the princess of Anturias \$100,000 and the Infanta Maria \$50,000.

The Queen administers the salaries of

Infanta Maria \$50,000.

The Queen administers the salaries of her children herself. She and her children live and dress simply, comparatively speaking, but they are expected to pay at least ten times more than any one else for what they buy, and they are often obliged to pay for things which are simply forced upon them. To give a couple of instances: Within a short time the Queen has had to pay \$100,000 for a portrait of her son, which is such for a portrait of her son, which is such a bad likeness that she can never hang it. Then she was expected to pay five hundred dollars for a little painting in only cast on canvas a few flowers in a wine glass.

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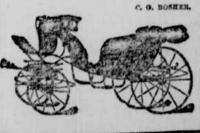
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